GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:286
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DEMAND FOR INCREASE IN THE SEATS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
BHIM PRASAD DAHAL;RAVI PRAKASH VERMA

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department has made any action plan to increase the number of seats in the field of Information Technology in various Engineering Colleges in the country;

(b) if so, whether various State Governments and Engineering Colleges have demanded for the increase in the number of seats;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 286 FOR 10.12.2002 ASKED BY S/SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA AND BHIM DAHAL REGARDING DEMAND FOR INCREASE SEATS OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

AICTE receives applications from Government/ Government Aided Institutions, Universities, Trusts, Societies for starting new Institutes/ Courses and increase in Intake Capacity. Keeping in view the available infrastructure as per the norms & standards, AICTE accords necessary approval to various institutions for starting new courses and increase in intake to ensure adequate supply of manpower to the Information Technology Sector. As a result, the intake capacity in IT courses at degree level in AICTE approved institutions has increased from 26,849 in 2000-2001 to 47,394 in 2002-2003. The details of demands received from States/ UTs and the approval accorded by AICTE for increase in intake for IT course at degree level for the academic year 2002-03 are given in the Annexure. For the academic year 2003-04, AICTE has recently invited applications for new courses/ increase in intake of existing courses including Information Technology. The requests for new courses will be processed by AICTE, after getting the 'No Objection Certificate' from the State Governments/ UTs by 31st December 2002, as per the advertisement issued by them.